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EO 11652: GDS TAGS: PFOR RH US

SUBJ: GOL REACTION TO RHODESIAN SITUATION

- 1. ACTING FOREIGN MINISTER SHERMAN TOLD ME SEPTEMBER 28 THAT THE GOL WAS ENCOURAGED BY THE RECENT POSITIVE DEVELOPMENTS WITH REAGRD TO MAJORITY RULE IN RHODESIA. SHERMAN ADDED THAT LIBERIA, AS A "SEMI-MODERATE" AFRICAN COUNTRY, NOW HOPED THAT THE BLACK AFRICAN LEADERS DIRECTLY INVOLVED WOULD NOT MAKE "UNDUE DEMANDS" WHICH WOULD ONLY AID THE EXTREMISTS OF BOTH CAMPS.
- 2. COMMENT: IT IS CERTAIN THAT THE GOL IS HEARTENED BY THE FAVORABLE TRENDS FOR TWO REASONS: (A) THE PRESTIGE IN AFRICA OF

THE US, ITS FOREMOST ALLY AND FRIEND, IS ENHANCED; AND (B) THE EVOLUTION OF A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM WOULD LESSEN THEDANGER OF THE KIND OF POLARIZATION WHICH COULD ONLY FACE THE GOL WITH UNCOMFORTABLE POLICY CHOICES. HORAN

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